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GERMAN CRUISERS DASH ACROSS NORTH SEA; BOMBARD BRITISH COAST

FOUR TEUTON BATTLESHIPS MAKE A DARING RAID UPON ENGLAND; SHELL THREE CITIES

Life Loss Small, but Britons are Thrown Into a Panic.

BAFFLED BY UNUSUAL TACTICS

English Cannot Determine Whether Fleet is Ready for Effort or Whether it is to Cover a Landing Movement of Army Invading Army

[illegible]

HISTORIC ABBEY UP

WHITBY IS DAMAGED

[illegible]

ATTACKING GERMAN WARVESSELS ARE DRIVEN OFF

[illegible]

TOPPLING TELLS WHEN SHELLS BEGAN TO FALL

[illegible]

BOMBARDMENT LASTS OVER HALF AN HOUR

[illegible]

FOG CONCEALS APPROACH OF THE GERMAN RAIDERS

[illegible]

2 BELOW ZERO IS RECORD HERE; 23 AT ROARING RUN

Indian Creek Valley Reports Some Prize Temperatures.

TWO DAYS OF BITTER COLD

Seventeen Degrees Above is Warmest the Mercury Has Touched in Past 21 Hours. Yough River is Frozen Over and Snow Has Not Thawed

The cold of December 1 night for at least [illegible] in this locality. In Connellsville the mercury dropped to two degrees below zero in the morning. At Dawson and in other and [illegible] below in the residential section.

At Roaring Run in Indian Creek Valley reports from there were unusual temperatures. Mr. Rourke, Dunbar, reported 23 at Roaring Run in more conservative 17 below and Indian Creek station records 10 below. These figures are not unlikely when it is considered that in the city three and four degrees below were common.

The Youghiogheny is frozen over. H. H. Pitt, who resides in sight of the river, says that today was the first time he found it necessary to use the axe to ascertain the depth. In the deep channel at water where the current is fast it.

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SCOTTDALE TO FORE

Poultry Families of Mill Town Among the Uniontie Prize Winners

The Fayette County Poultry show which opened Saturday in Uniontown was largely attended and great interest was manifested in the fowls. The awards were announced that the following Scottdale fanciers were among the prize winners:

[illegible]

ENGLISH CLAIM SHIPS ARE DRIVEN BACK BY FORTS

[illegible]

MAKES RECORD RUN

Western Maryland Train Goes to Cumberland in 108 Minutes

[illegible]

GERMANS DECLARE THEY ARE HOLDING GROUND

[illegible]

CHAMBERLAIN FAVORS SECRETARY GARRISON'S BETTER ARMY PLAN

SENATOR CHAMBERLAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—[illegible] Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the senate committee on military affairs, [illegible] that he will support [illegible] Secretary Garrison's recommendations for an increase of 5,000 men in the enlisted personnel of the army and for the creation of a reserve of 100,000 men. The committee [illegible] Senator Chamberlain, who will have charge of such a bill in the senate, [illegible] that [illegible] to ignore the depth [illegible] there is a channel of water where the [illegible] found.

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SENTENCES ARE IMPOSED ON MEN CONVICTED THIS TERM

Yokovich Will Serve Not More Than Nine Years for Second Degree Murder

[illegible]

THE WEATHER FORECAST

[illegible]

The Temperature

[illegible]

SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY; TEACHERS GO HOME

Special Exercises are Held at the Various Buildings.

CHRISTMAS TREES IN EVIDENCE

Contributions are Taken to Aid the Poor. Several Rooms Have Special Holiday Programs and Gifts are Distributed Among Younger Pupils

The public schools closed for the Christmas vacation this afternoon for a period of two weeks. Some of the schools had special exercises in the hall of the building and programs of various kinds were carried out.

The Second Ward building held its annual Christmas tree and distributed the candy and other goodies to the children.

In the Third Ward school there was a big Christmas tree in the hall but several of the rooms had individual trees for the rooms and other goodies imposed the annual treat.

In the Seventh Street building and the Church Street school the usual annual treat furnished by the teachers. In Church street the teachers served punch, sandwiches, cake, candy, pickles and other delicacies.

In the Fairview school Miss Davidson and Stillman entertained and held a Christmas tree in the [illegible] Miss [illegible] entertained Miss Florence Crossley, who is confined in the school room. Miss Davidson and Stillman, who have spent the day in the school room, [illegible] Miss Sarah Moreland spent the day on the third floor, [illegible] and held a community tree.

The South Side school had an unusual [illegible] in the hall [illegible] tree.

Teachers were paid their December salaries today. Among the teachers who will leave for their homes are Misses Louise Beech, Harrisburg; Mary J. Snyder, Alexandria; Katherine Mae Sanhurst, Fairmont; Weaver, Clay Hill, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. O. Stone, Annapolis, Md.; W. Blair, Fairfield; Langdale, N. C.; Irwin, Charleston, W. Va.; Kelly, Mt. Pleasant; Mr. W. H. Stewart, New Eagle; W. W. Hart, Pittsburg; [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. Alfred N. Ford, Miss Julia Eaton, Guard, Md.

HOME IS BURNED

Byron Smutz Meets Misfortune in a Washington Town

The home of Byron Smutz, in Brownsville, Washington, and all its furnishings were consumed by the fire Wednesday night. No one was in the house at the time. Mrs. Smutz, who is in the hospital at Scottdale, [illegible] to the hospital in Scottdale.

Mr. Smutz is a native of Scottdale, formerly of West Side, Dunbar township. He was [illegible] Dunbar township. He was graduated from the Connellsville High School in 1904 and from Washington & Jefferson College. He went west and for two years held a position in Kansas, Santa Monica.

In the west he fell in [illegible] according to a letter from Mr. Smutz to his father. Six months in the western [illegible] of six months [illegible] the direction of the town in which Byron Smutz is employed. His salary is [illegible] at Scottdale $2,100. In the meantime he was [illegible] deputy sheriff and [illegible] the sale, were killed [illegible] the Canadian border, [illegible] stolen money [illegible].

Byron Smutz [illegible] shooting, [illegible] ran across the [illegible] without [illegible] officers of the bank [illegible] the robbers escape on horseback.

MAY SELL STOCK

Court Grants Permit to Receiver for Co-Operative Store

The court today granted the petition of Receiver for the Uniontown Co-Operative Store Company to sell the stock of the company. The company was incorporated [illegible] and [illegible] such a plan.

The company was [illegible] the purpose of conducting [illegible] the venture did not prove profitable.

PLEADS FOR CROSON

Attorney Jones Carries Letter From Judge to Pardon Board

Attorney [illegible] today [illegible] the pardon board [illegible] Croson [illegible] Judge [illegible] Mr. Croson [illegible] Attorney Jones [illegible] Croson [illegible] the board [illegible] Croson [illegible] the board [illegible] Croson [illegible] the board

SOCIETY.

Will Rehearse for Cantata.

At the close of the regular prayer service this evening the Sunday school of the Trinity Reformed church will rehearse for the annual Christmas cantata.

Annual Holiday Assembly.

Dr. cards have been received here for the annual holiday assembly of the Dalgonah Laurel Club to be held Thursday evening, December 31, at 8:30 o'clock in Odd Fellows' Temple. Music will be furnished by Gerard's orchestra. The dance committee comprises E. C. Robinson and T. D. Bliss in charge.

Thursday Musicale Meets.

A delightful session of the regular meeting of the Thursday Musicale held last evening at the home of Miss Helen Nutter on South Pittsburg street, Dunbar, was devoted to "Mozart," vocal and piano numbers were rendered. A vocal concert followed. Refreshments were served.

Discuss Work for New Year.

The Dorcas League Cabinet of the First Methodist Episcopal Church met last evening at the home of Miss Georgia Allen on Green street. Plans for work to be taken up the new year were discussed. Refreshments were served after the business meeting. The regular monthly business and social session of the League will be held next Tuesday night at the home of Miss Louie Miller.

L. W. Class Meets.

The L. W. Class of the First Baptist Sunday school met last evening at the home of Mrs. G. C. Sellers on Patterson avenue. A social hour was held and refreshments were served.

Entertain W. O. W. Class.

Miss Marie Gaster entertained the members of the W. O. W. Class of the Methodist Episcopal Church at her home on Pittsburg street last evening.

Daughters Meet.

The Daughters of the Trinity held a social last evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Stoutzer on Seventh street. A business meeting was held and refreshments were served.

Prayer Meeting.

In connection with the regular service this evening the First Baptist Church will hold a prayer meeting. All members are asked to bring donations of canned goods or articles for the poor. Rev. William Nelson, the pastor, requests that all packages be wrapped in white paper.

Patterson-Marietta.

A pretty wedding was that of Miss Ida Lucia Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patterson of Vanderbilt, and Wade H. Marietta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marietta, solemnized Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock at the home of the bride near Connellsville. Rev. William Nelson, pastor of the First Christian church, officiated. The bride was attended by Miss Louise Patterson, her sister, as maid of honor, and Ira Marietta, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride wore a dress of white satin and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. The ceremony was followed by a dinner for the immediate families of the bride and groom. The couple will reside in Vanderbilt. The bride is a graduate of the Vanderbilt schools, and is a popular young lady. The groom is a prosperous young farmer.

GATHERS HAVE A NOTABLE PLACE IN COSTUME.

The day of gathers has returned and the modern dressmaker must learn the gentle art of "puckering." In this frock, model of green broadcloth and silver braid, the redundant fabric is gathered to a fitted bodice, then threaded into the side darts. The vicomte hat, on sable-trimmed carriage, carries out the dashing military idea.

IS SERIOUSLY ILL

West Side Girl Said to Have Contracted Typhoid in Uniontown.

Exposure to typhoid fever without any doubt immunized the nurse in the room of vaccination followed for the serious illness of Miss Isabelle Smith of the West Side, whose condition has caused some alarm for her family. Miss Smith is a student of Thomas South of North street. Some two months ago Miss Smith entered the Uniontown Hospital as a student nurse. She was one day last week assigned to the typhoid fever ward. Her duties in caring and protecting herself from infection, she told her family physician, were such that she washed her hands in a carbolic solution. She was not vaccinated, and soon contracted the disease.

Both of Miss Smith's brothers have enlisted in the army. Both have been vaccinated with typhoid fever serums and neither has ever had the disease in any form.

How to Protect Water Pipes from Freezing.

During severely cold weather the water pipes in kitchens should be protected. Place a tin stop and waste valve which is located at the collar of the flexible connections, so that if the pipes will drain out. This will prevent freezing. Do not allow the water to run during the night to keep the pipes from freezing, as has been mentioned above. Do not put a tee under the water meter, if you have the water piped in, and you then think that the water meter is frozen call up the Water Company, and they will remove the meter and thaw it out at their shop. Heating a meter will ruin it. Consumers are urged to protect their water meters from freezing. Connellsville Water Company.—Adv.

It Will Pay You

To read our advertising columns.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. W. H. Dodson and Mrs. J. H. Bowman are spending the day in Pittsburg.

Miss Matilda Geeles and sister, Mrs. Emma Duncan, are the guests of friends at Dawson today.

Mrs. C. A. Port and Miss Sarah Moreland are in Pittsburg today.

Mrs. R. K. Smith of Dawson, was shopping in town today.

Mrs. D. H. Purlinton announces her sale of hand painted china at Boldison's Flower Shop, 104 South Pittsburg street on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, December 15th, 16th and 17th.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stacer, of Meyersdale, Mrs. John Walsh and Mrs. Rhoden of Cumberland, Mr. and Mrs. John Weber of Lavrobe and Mrs. Maria O'Malley, of Pittsburg, attended the funeral of Michael Hurley yesterday morning.

Alderman Eugene O'Donovan was in Uniontown yesterday on business.

I have a bigger line of pure wools at $18 and $20, suit or overcoat, than ever before. Dave Cohen, Tailor.—Adv.

Mrs. Jo Moser of Uniontown, was the guest of Mrs. Paul Dick of the North Windsor apartments yesterday.

Mrs. Lillian Conglemour and daughter, Miss Grayce, spent Sunday as the guests of Connellsville relatives.

Mrs. Michael Hurley went to Meyersdale this morning to see her mother, Mrs. Anna Weber, who is seriously ill. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Mary McKenzie, of Meyersdale, who was here for Mr. Hurley's funeral.

Santa Claus has left some of the most candy made here for you. Don't disappoint him. Come in and get the best Reymer's, Horbert, Samoset; 104 West Main.—Adv.

Mrs. George Jarrett and Mrs. Walter Milton of Scottdale were in town today.

Mrs. H. C. Wolfe will leave Friday for her home in Petersburg, Va., after an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Buttermore and other relatives here.

PROMINENT KNIGHT DIES

John I. Welsh Was Well Known in This Vicinity.

John I. Welsh, an attorney of Shamokin, is dead at that place. Mr. Welsh was a state advocate of the Knights of Columbus and was widely known among members of the order. He delivered the principal address before the Ye Knickerbocker council at this place a year ago last February. Mr. Welsh was a first cousin of Mine Inspector P. J. Welsh of the South Side. Mr. Welsh left this afternoon to attend the funeral.

Mr. Welsh was a graduate of the University of Michigan and played on the football team there. He also coached the Trinity College team for several years. While located in Pittsburg he played with the D. C. and A. C. teams, a well known organization.

Bank Books as Gifts.

A new way to give your gifts on Christmas is to open bank accounts and present the bank books. You can open an account with one dollar and the pass book will be issued in the name of the person for whom the gift is intended. The account will draw interest if the money is left and the account may be increased as a personal reminder of your gift. The Citizens National Bank, 138 Pittsburg Street, Connellsville.—Adv.

Licensed to Wed.

Jacob G. Wilson of Fairchance, and Anna M. [illegible] of Dunbar, were granted a marriage license in Uniontown yesterday.

Victim of Stroke.

P. D. Saunsoker of 250 Mill street, West Side, suffered a stroke Monday and is in a very serious condition.

ONLY 8 DAYS TO SHOP IN TILL CHRISTMAS

THE E. DUNN STORE

CUTHBERTSON & ROE

NORTH PITTSBURG STREET, CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

THIS STORE OPEN EVENINGS TILL XMAS

Our Juvenile Department

offers exceptional values in useful gifts for the "little ones." We pride ourselves that nowhere will you find better assortments and our prices you will note are most moderate.

Baby Silk Capes, new designs in a beautiful selection in a great range of prices from 25c to..... **$2.50**

Infants' Long White Dresses, in many dainty styles, as pretty as hand-made, 25c to **$7.50**

Infants' Short White Dresses, a most beautiful line to select from at prices—25c to..... **$9.00**

Infants' Long and Short White Coats, made of new and desirable materials, in very handsome styles, $1.50 to **$15.00**

Infants' White Capes, some very handsomely embroidered—shown in silk and woolen materials, $1.50 to.. **$10**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES—2 to 6 years

Very pretty, stylish dresses, made in best styles, including French and Russian designs, rich materials, made in very best models—50c to..... **$10**

A RADICAL CUT IN CHILD'S COATS

Thus early in the season we have cut the prices of children's coats to the minimum, affording you a splendid opportunity of securing a stylish coat for little money.

$2.50 and $3.00 Coats for.....$1.95
$3.50 and $4.00 Coats for.....$2.49
$4.50 and $5.00 Coats for.....$3.49
$5.50 and $7.00 Coats for.....$3.98
$7.50 and $12.00 Coats for.....$5.00

IF YOU KNOW

what you want you can find it most quickly in this store. More important still:

IF YOU DO NOT KNOW

just what you want, the gift things are most conveniently arranged for suggestions. *Just take a stroll around the store—bright, fresh, beautiful things everywhere.* No matter how inexpensive your gift may be—how luxurious and elegant—you'll find it a pleasure to select it from this generous assortment.

Women's Beautiful Bathrobes

What article would prove more useful or acceptable than a beautiful bath robe for a Xmas gift. We show a very attractive line in handsome patterns—of soft, fleecy materials—nicely trimmed and with cords and tassels—made full and comfortable. Come in and see the great values we offer at

$2.95 $3.95 $5.00 and $5.95

Christmas Umbrellas

Splendid variety of the new handles in the new mission, in sterling inlaid, in sterling and gold trimmed, silver deposit and French novelties in guaranteed silk, made up in India and regulation frames.

Umbrellas for Children

Good value for school wear.....69c

Umbrellas for Men

in a splendid assortment of the newest handles and materials.

98c, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00 to $10.

Umbrellas for Women—

that are sure to please the most exacting—umbrellas that look well and wear well.

98c, $1.50, $2.50, $3.00 to $10.

New Handbags

for Christmas choosing in new shapes at very attractive prices, in leather of seal, morocco, walrus and lamb—at a range of prices from 59c to **$12**

SPECIAL SILVER MESH BAGS

Beautiful new models; very fine mesh frames exquisitely engraved; 5 in. size, made to retail at $2.50; while the quantity lasts..... **98c**

EXTRA VALUES IN KNIT SLIPPERS

Very pretty and comfortable bedroom slippers—in handsome colorings, well made—will make very acceptable gifts—made to sell at $1.00; special price **79c**

GENERAL MACKENSEN HEADS GERMAN DRIVE FOR WARSAW, POLAND

General August von Mackensen, who is in command of one of the German armies operating in Poland for the purpose of capturing Warsaw, is fifty-five years old. He became a colonel in 1895, was made a noble in 1899, became a lieutenant general in 1903 and made a general commanding the Seventeenth army corps and general of cavalry in 1908.

TEUTON BATTLESHIPS MAKE DARING RAID

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"In the western theatre the enemy made a new attempt to advance by way of Nieuport supported by an action of their ships at sea. The fire from these ships was entirely without effect. The attack was repulsed and 450 French were taken prisoners. On the remainder of the front the capture of a height at the west of Soupleim, occupied by the enemy since the day before yesterday, is the only matter worth mentioning.

"From the East Prussian frontier there is no news. In Northern Poland our attacking movements are progressing normally. Several strong positions of the enemy have been taken and about 2,000 prisoners and four machine guns captured. In Southern Poland our troops, fighting in union with our allies, are gaining ground."

BRITISH FLEET SHELLS WESTEND, ON BELGIAN COAST

By Associated Press.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The French war office today issued the following statement.

"In Belgium the town of Westend, to the northeast of Lombartzyde, has been violently bombarded by the British fleet. The Belgian army has repulsed a violent attack on St. Georges and occupied the farms on the left bank of the Yser. Our troops, who already had placed groups in the direction of Kaiserdekke also made progress, but not so perceptible in the region of St. Eloi.

"In the region of Arras, in the region of Aisne and in Champagne there have been artillery engagements in the course of which we gained distinct advantage at various points. In the Argonne there is nothing to report. In the Woevre district we have repulsed several German attacks in the forest of Mortmare and we have retained all the trenches occupied by us on the 13th of December. In Alsace we have repulsed an attack to the west of Cernay.

"Serbia—King Peter, accompanied by the crown prince entered Belgrade at the head of his troops on Tuesday, December 15, at 11 o'clock in the morning. Between the Drina and the Save there are in Servia no more Austro-Hungarian troops. The number of prisoners that the Austro-Hungarians have left in the hands of Servians since the beginning of the war is placed at 60,000."

KAISER HAS DIPHTHERIA, HIS DOCTORS DECLARE

By Associated Press.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—A Madrid dispatch says "reliable news received here says that Emperor William's condition, although recorded by the bulletins as improved, is giving great anxiety.

"His doctors speak of a serious sore throat following diphtheria contracted during a visit to the front."

Three Attack Hartlepool.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The Newcastle Evening Chronicle places the number of German cruisers which bombarded Hartlepool at three. It says that these cruisers were attacked almost immediately by four British destroyers.

TURK CRUISER GOES DOWN AT ANCHORAGE.

By Associated Press.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 16.—Telegrams from Constanople, referring for the first time to the torpedoing by the British submarine B-11 of the Turkish battleship Messudieh in the Dardanelles on December 13, says that the warship sank at her anchorage.

Parts of the vessel are still visible. Her crew was saved.

Dresden is Pursued.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Two British warships are pursuing the German cruiser Dresden, which left Punta Arenas on Sunday, according to an official telegram received today from the American embassy at Santiago, Chile.

Nine Persons Reported Killed.

HULL, Eng., Dec. 16.—Nine persons are reported to have been killed at Hartlepool and a number injured by the bombardment of that port by German cruisers this morning.

Say German Cruisers Sank.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The Yorkshire Evening News reports that two German cruisers were sunk in today's engagement and that the British flotilla was damaged.

Bears Two Cruisers Sink.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—Reports are current in London that two German cruisers have been sunk in the North Sea.

Arrival of Son.

The stork brought a son to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elzio Nannini at 807 West Main street yesterday. The father is the manager of the Connellsville Macaroni Company.

Hunting Bargains?

If so, read our advertising columns and you will find them.

DEATHS.

Death of Infant.

An infant son of George and Catherine Otto Mira was found dead this morning at his parents' residence in Uniontown. The child was seven weeks old and is a grandson of Mrs. C. Moet of North Pittsburg street. Mrs. Moet went to Uniontown this morning and will remain for the funeral.

Funeral of A. L. Yount.

The funeral of Rev. A. L. Yount will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the First Lutheran Church, Greensburg. Rev. Frank G. Gehr, president of the Pittsburg Synod, and Rev. J. O. Gloun will officiate.

Kobacker's

Store open all this week until 6 p. m.; Saturday to 10 p. m.; Christmas week open until 9 p. m.; Christmas Eve to 10 p. m.—Adv.

Heart Failure Fatal.

Mrs. Anna M. Burd, wife of William P. Burd, died yesterday morning at her home at Brownsville from heart failure.

Wed at Cumberland

Miss Jeannette Mary Platty of Lemont, and Carman Caldrice of Uniontown, were married in Cumberland yesterday.

Trespass Notices

for sale at The Courier Job Department.

Do your Christmas shopping now.

No Question What It's Made Of

The ingredients are plainly stated on every tin of

INSTANT POSTUM

and also in the advertising.

Choice whole wheat is separated into kernel and outer-coat—combined with a small amount of wholesome molasses, roasted separately and skilfully blended to give Postum a delicious, snappy flavour similar to high-grade Java coffee. But Postum is free from caffeine and tannin, the drugs that make coffee harmful.

Anyone with signs of nervousness, indigestion, heart flutter, sleeplessness or other ills so often caused by coffee, can learn something of value by quitting coffee and using Postum—

Delicious—Healthful—Economical

Postum now comes in two forms:

Regular Postum—must be boiled to bring out the rich flavour. 15c and 25c packages.

Instant Postum—soluble form, made in the cup with hot water instantly. 25c and 50c tins.

Both kinds are delicious, cost per cup about the same, sold by Grocers everywhere.

"There's a Reason" for POSTUM

A WISE PERSON TAKES

A wise person takes notice of Nature's demand for correction and assistance. Unhealthy conditions of the stomach, liver or kidneys first give warning by a trifling symptom such as heavy feeling, sick headache, poor appetite or depression of spirits. You should pay attention to these unnatural feelings immediately and

BEECHAM'S PILLS

(Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World)

are what you need. Try them, and you will always keep a box at hand. They give you a clear mind and a sound body and keep you at your best. They help the brain to be bright and active by purifying the blood that nourishes it. They drive impurities from the system, regulate the stomach and bowels, improve the appetite and greatly benefit the general health. When you experience signs of sluggish liver, inactive kidneys, latent dyspepsia or impure blood, you can depend upon Beecham's Pills to promptly relieve and prevent more serious trouble.

A Timely Dose Works Wonders

At All Druggists. 10c., 25c.

Directions of special value to women with every box

The News of Nearby Towns.

HUNKER.

HUNKER, Dec. 16.—Miss Nellie Highberger and Miss Mary Lower, of Youngwood, visited the schools here recently.

The eighth grade of room No. 2, in the school, was examined last week by township superintendent Spiegel.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lurch of Perry, were recent callers here with Mr. and Mrs. Joan Lurch.

Misses Arlie Sherrard and Emma Kelly were shopping in Youngwood on Saturday.

Mrs. Stoner and daughter, Ona, of Scottdale, are visitors with Mr. E. S. Stoner, of this place.

Mrs. Braithwaite of Bethany, spent Sunday with Mrs. Earl Hout.

Mrs. Hugh Hopper of Willa, was a recent visitor here with her sister, Mrs. Hugh Stoner.

The school closed on Friday for a two weeks' vacation. The pupils gave a Christmas entertainment in the afternoon to a well filled house of parents and others. The exercises were very creditable. The teachers in charge are to be congratulated on the performance, which was followed with a treat of candy and apples by the teachers.

Misses J. J. Highberger and children, Olive and Ellen, are visiting their grandparents this week, in Youngwood.

Winter has taken on her heavy coat of ice and a regular north-wester has been blowing a terrible gale the past few days, which interrupted work.

Master Percy Houch went to Perryopolis on Saturday, to spend a vacation with friends.

The Lutheran Sabbath school is rehearsing for their Christmas exercises and treat.

The Westmoreland brick works of this place run four days last week, an increase of two days above previous weeks.

SMITHFIELD.

SMITHFIELD, Dec. 15.—T. F. Barber, W. C. Michael, Connellsville, H. C. Wilcox, Pittsburg, S. R. Williams, Toledo, Ohio, were recent business visitors.

Tuesday morning was the coldest of the season, 10 degrees below was registered here. A fine exhibit of Jack Frost's handiwork was displayed on the window panes of the various business places and residences in Smithfield on the hill.

Prof. W. David, Miss Bertha Bailey, Miss Jessie Ream, and Miss Williams, of the township schools, are attending the county institute. Miss Mae Lilly, teacher of room three, is unable to attend on account of sickness, which has kept her confined to her home for the past three weeks.

The coaling is free on the town hill and the coasters are taking advantage of it due to the good weather.

Mrs. Elder Gregg is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sutton.

James R. Young's condition is improved.

M. D. Cloner, R. G. Benson, and Will C. Burchinal are attending the poultry show at Uniontown, in which they each have some fine strains of the different breeds entered.

The ice and skating are on the prospective before.

Do your Christmas shopping early.

DUNBAR.

DUNBAR, Dec. 16.—W. A. Gossett of Uniontown was a business caller here today.

The coming of the severe cold weather which comes here Monday night the A. A. Powell Lily done quite a slow down until warmer weather.

Harold Workman was visiting in Connellsville Tuesday.

The Ladies' Friendly Bible Class of the Methodist Protestant Church decided at their last meeting to hold a social January 12 at the home of Mrs. Stoner Crum.

At the regular monthly meeting of the L. A. S. of H. which was held Tuesday, Dec. 15, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Zora Kennedy; vice president, Miss Margaret McGavin; recording secretary, Miss Minnie Lotterer; treasurer, Mrs. Harold Swartz; Mrs. James Robinson; Miss Ella Harper; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Hugh Hopper. Those present were Misses Minnie Hopper and Ada Conner.

Mrs. Luther McWilliams visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Banks of Connellsville, Monday.

The Christmas Tree and Sunday School entertainment of the Dunbar Methodist Church will be held Christmas night instead of Sunday night as previously announced.

The Junior League of the Methodist Church will have a Christmas tree and entertainment Friday evening in the church. All are invited to attend.

RESINOL MAKES ECZEMA VANISH

Stops Itching and Burning Instantly.

There is immediate relief for skin itching, burning and disfigured by eczema, ringworm, or other tormenting skin trouble, in a warm bath with Resinol Soap and a gentle application of Resinol Ointment. The soothing, healing Resinol balsam sinks right into the skin, stops itching instantly, and soon clears away all trace of eruption, even in severe and stubborn cases where other treatments have had no effect. After this, the regular use of Resinol Soap is usually enough to keep the skin clear and healthy.

Resinol Ointment (50c and $1.00) and Resinol Soap (25c) are sold by all druggists. For a trial free, write Dept. 2-R, Resinol, Baltimore, Md. Buy in the original free package and avoid the inferior substitutes which a few unscrupulous druggists may try to sell to make a few cents more profit at your expense.

UNWRITTEN LAW MAY FIGURE IN CLEARY CASE; HE SHOT SON-IN-LAW

WILLIAM V. CLEARY

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—When William V. Cleary, town clerk and political leader of Haverstraw, N. Y., comes to trial in New City, N. Y., on Thursday, December 17, for killing his eighteen-year-old son-in-law, Eugene M. Newman, it is possible that his fate will hang on the testimony of his daughter, whose intimacy and marriage with Newman exasperated him to the verge of madness. Since she recovered from the first shock of murder in Cleary's office in city the possibility of the ordeal at the trial has been before the young widow. She has hoped that she would not have to face it, and it seems certain that the prosecution will not call her. But there remains evidence that the defense will appeal to the unwritten law and that the testimony of Mrs. Newman, whose wedding ring merely accentuates her youth, will be the pivotal point in the trial. Two theories of the shooting have been advanced. One, that Cleary's discovery of his daughter's condition before her marriage made him wild with rage, and that his aversion to young Newman was such that even after he learned of the wedding he took the first opportunity to kill the boy. The other theory is that he knew no blot of the wedding and that the anguish of a father who believed his child ruined beyond reparation led to the murder.

BAD BLOOD

Hatred of the Nations for One Another.

This European war was born of the hatred caused by earlier warfare—it will engender other wars between the same nations in the future. The same yet unborn will carry this hatred in their blood to blaze into warfare when the spark is touched by Kaiser or Statesmen who are yet in infancy.

It's bad blood that makes your liver sluggish and the same bad blood causes your stomach muscles to lose their elasticity and become flabby and weak and that means malnutrition.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, purely vegetable and free from alcohol or narcotics, is not a secret remedy for all its ingredients are printed on wrapper.

Take it as directed and it will scorch out impure and poisonous matter in the stomach, liver, bowels and kidneys and drive it from the system through the natural channels.

It will penetrate into the joints and muscles, and dissolve the poisonous accumulations. It will replace all the bad blood it dries out, with rich, pure blood full of vital force. It will furnish you with the kind of blood that produces energy and ambition. Put into the entire body in such perfect physical condition that brain or nerves know no fatigue.

It will clear the skin; eczema, blotches, rash, blotches will dry up and disappear; boils, carbuncles and other evidences of tainted blood will pass away never to appear again.

Get Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery at any medicine dealer today, in either liquid or tablet form as you prefer. It's the one great blood maker and purifier that all weak or run down people ought to start to use at once. If you want good blood, good health and clear skin, get a supply today.—Adv.

BREAK IN OPERATORS' RANKS.

Coal Situation in Ohio Changed by Concessions to Miners.

A break in the ranks of the Ohio coal operators, who have been holding out against the miners has occurred and approximately 2,000 or more of the Pleasant workers who have been on strike since last April will return within the next two weeks. Owners of many of the smaller mines have signed an agreement with the miners calling for the Pittsburg scale, an increase of two cents a ton over the old rate.

The first break occurred in the Fairmont mine where 100 men returned to work. Inspectors from the state mining department are now operating many other small mines preparatory to opening the latter part of the week.

CONNELLSVILLE.

CONNELLSVILLE, Dec. 16.—Joseph Pilcagan went to Friendsville, Md., yesterday on business.

Earl of Uniontown of Connellsville visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Fletcher at Johnson Chapel a few days recently.

W. A. Bird of near Dunbar was here yesterday on his way to Meyersdale on business.

J. L. Dunsworth of Johnson Chapel was transacting business in town yesterday.

Roy Geller of Hatfieldville was a business visitor here yesterday.

B. F. Leydig has returned to his home in Pittsburg after visiting friends here for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Burnworth left yesterday for a few days' visit with friends in Connellsville and Dunbar.

Mrs. S. B. Hosner and son have returned to their home in Wilkinsburg, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bowers several days.

Robert Frantz has returned from a business trip to Pittsburg.

Roy Couchenour of Connellsville visited friends here yesterday.

Will Rush of Lower Turkeyfoot township was here yesterday on his way to Connellsville to visit friends.

H. L. Long of Connellsville was here this week calling on patrons.

John Currey of Dunbar, Pa., was a business visitor here yesterday.

Richard Vanski of Pittsburg was here yesterday on business.

M. Haney of Connellsville was a business visitor here yesterday.

J. A. Verney of Cumberland was here yesterday on business.

They'll like it better if it's from McCreery's—You would.

McCreery and Company

PITTSBURGH

"Useful" is the watchword this season with the majority of Christmas shoppers. This is a store of Utilities—Utilities with the extra touch of the artistic, the personal, that makes a delightful gift out of a real necessity.

More than anything else, we can show you here useful articles that the recipients will have and will be enjoying six months or a year hence. You will not be wasting your money on gewgaws or playthings.

You can combine happily and sensibly the unique and the gratifying in gift selections here.

Carriage prepaid on cash or charge purchases within 500 miles. Packages, purchased anywhere, wrapped for you at the Accommodation Wrapping Desk, in the Basement.

UMBRELLAS FOR EVERYONE

Our Christmas stock of Umbrellas comprises a very large variety of styles and materials. Handles of 14-K gold, sterling silver and a large assortment of wood designs.

Twill and Taffeta Silk Umbrellas.....$3.50 to $20.00
Colored Silk Umbrellas, $3.50 to $5.00
Silk and Cotton Umbrellas.....$1.50 to $3.50
Suit Case Umbrellas...$3.50 to $5.00
Children's Umbrellas...$1.00 to $3.00
Men's Canes.....$1.50 to $20.00
Folding Canes.....$5.00 to $8.50

A Sale of Furs From Stock

Remaining from this season's early purchases. Also some few not strictly of this season's lines, but splendid, selected Furs.

Fur Coats

$175.00 Leopard Coat $75.00
Leopard Coat, full length. Suitable for motor coat. $75.00.

$350.00 Scotch Mole Coat ..$150.00
Handsome Scotch Mole Coat with deep cuffs of Mole. Large Mole buttons. $150.00.

Misses' Furs

$15.00 Opossum Set $10.00
Natural Opossum Sets with shaped collar, two tabs. Pillow muff to match. Per set $10.00.

$20.00 Kit Set $15.00
Two-animal Scarf, head crossing in the back. Large Muff to match. Per set $15.00.

$40.00 Squirrel Set $25.00
Chinchilla Squirrel Set, very fine quality; collar shaped scarf with fancy poplin. Large pillow Muff beautifully lined with taupe velvet and satin. Per set $25.00.

Children's Fur Sets

$10.00 Iceland Fox Set $8.50
White Iceland Fox. One-animal scarf with head and tail; Muff to match. Per set $8.50.

$20.00 Mole Set $15.00
Handsome Scotch Mole two-tab Scarf. Pillow Muff to match, lined with taupe satin. Per set $15.00.

$35.00 Pitch Set $25.00
Handsome Russian Pitch one-animal Scarf, with head and tail. Four-skin Muff to match. Per set $25.00.

Women's Fur Sets

$175.00 Scotch Mole Set ...$75.00
Large straight Throw with two bands of Hudson seal. Fancy muff to match. Per set, $75.00.

$200.00 Caracul Set $100.00
Caracul combined with ermine. Collar-shaped Scarf trimmed with black ornaments. Pillow Muff with band of ermine across. Per set, $100.00.

MID-SEASON CLEARANCE
Of Women's, Misses' and Girls' Apparel

Women's and Misses' Suits
$18.50, $27.50, $37.50, $45.00,
formerly $29.50, $39.50, $45.00, $59.50

An assortment of styles that embraces the season's most favored models; including the newest medium and short coat-styles and a comprehensive range of fabrics in the colors you particularly want. Most of them fur-trimmed.

WOMEN'S AND MISSES' SKIRTS
$5.00 to $15.00

A full line of Skirts, plain or dressy models. New full flaring skirt or tunic effects. Velvet and satin combination, broadtail cloth and satin, broadcloth, gabardine or serge; in navy and black. All sizes, waists and lengths. $6.50, $7.50, $10.50 to $15.00.

WOMEN'S AND MISSES' COATS
$15.00, $25.00, $35.00, $45.00
formerly $25.00, $45.00, $55.00, $65.00

An important sale of Coats in the season's best styles and fabrics. All full-lined with peau de cygne; in the good colors. Of zibeline, broadcloth, corduroy, velour, bouclés, cheviot or fancy English mixtures. $15.00, $25.00, $35.00, to $45.00.

WOMEN'S AND MISSES' FROCKS
$10.00, $15.00 and $25.00
formerly $25.00 to $100.00

Evening Gowns of satin, crepe de chine, chiffon over satin, nets and lace. Low neck and short sleeves; pastel shades. $10.00, $15.00 to $25.00.

LOUNGING AND BATH ROBES
Women's Eiderdown and Blanket Robes
$2.95 to $11.95.

The former in a beautiful range of solid colorings. The latter in an assortment of plaids and designs. Trimmed with satin facings, cords and the like. Cut on voluminous lines, which means additional comfort. $2.95 to $11.95.

Juniors' and Girls' Dresses
$5.00, $7.50, $10.00, $12.50
formerly $10.00, $12.50, $15.00 to $19.50

Dresses in the styles especially desirable for Christmas giving. Dresses are trimmed with lace and are of silk velvet combinations, serge, challis, checks, plain Henriettas and Scotch plaids. All colors. Sizes 8 to 16. $5.00, $7.50, $10.00 to $12.50.

Juniors' and Girls' Coats
$5.00, $7.50, $10.00 to $12.50
formerly $10.00, $12.50, $15.00 to $19.50

Many new attractive models trimmed with velvet and plush. Broadcloth, zibelines, boucles and cheviots. All colors. $5.00, $7.50, $10.00 to $12.50.

Half Price Sale of Children's Dresses and Coats

Children's Apparel, of six or younger sizes, hereafter will be confined to the Infants' Wear Department, Fourth floor. The entire stock on hand of six-year sizes heretofore displayed on the Women's and Misses' floor is being sold at half price.

Dresses, $1.00, $2.00, $3.00, $4.50 to $10.00. Formerly $5.00 to $25.00.

Coats, $5.00, $7.50, $12.50 to $15.00. Formerly $12.50 to $35.00.

Hand Bags and Dressing Cases

"Mark Cross" Hand Bags.....$4.00 to $14.00
"Mark Cross" Hand Bags of pin seal, patent leather or moire silk with silver, gilt or gun metal mountings. Long soft handles and pretty, soft-colored linings. $4.00, $6.00, $7.50, $8.50, $10.00, $12.00, $13.50 to $14.00.

Dressing Cases .....$5.00 to $20.00
Dressing Cases for Men or Women. Ebony or ivory fittings. Seal grain, real seal and walrus cases. Silk or leather lined. Men's Cases with military brushes and equipped for shaving outfit. $5.00, $7.50, $10.00, $12.00, $14.00 to $20.00.

Women's and Young Folks' Footwear

Women's Colored Top Lace Boots...$6.00
Five new styles in Women's colored top boots, lace and button models, have just arrived. The Lace Boot comes in patent leather with champagne buckskin top and a tobacco shade back stay and lace stay; patent leather foxing. Louis XV. leather heels. $6.00 per pair.

Women's Lace Boots.....$5.00
Another smart Boot, lace model, comes in patent, with patent leather foxing and patent leather front stay. Tops in new shade of brown or fawn color cloth; welted soles and Louis XV. leather heel. Per pair, $5.00.

Women's Button Boots.....$5.00
Two new button boots in the overgaiter pattern comes in patent leather with the fawn and black cloth tops. Patent heel foxing. Louis XV. heel, welted soles. Per pair, $5.00.

Slipper Ornaments

We have assembled a limited number of pair of Rhinestone and Cut Steel Buckles, ranging in price from $5.00 to $24.00, which we will sell at half or in order to dispose of them quickly.

The lot comprises some very pretty as well as attractive patterns, and includes large and medium sizes. A rare opportunity to secure slipper buckles which are very much worn this season, at a price concession.

Inexpensive Jewelry

Ornamental Hair Combs....50c to $25.00
Fancy Combs in a variety of styles. Plain or carved; studded with rhinestones or colored stones in shell, amber or demi-blonde; also aluminum combinations and crystal shell "Sans Gene," "Geraldine Farrar" and La Casque Combs. 50c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00, $5.00 to $25.00.

French Pearl Beads.....50c
French-filled Pearl Beads. Gold-filled, 10-K gold and rhinestone snaps. White, cream, pink and Oriental. Neck or opera length. 50c, $1.00, $2.00, $2.50, $4.00, $6.00, $10.00, $12.00 to $22.50.

Real Amber Beads.....$3.00
Real Amber Beads, clouded or cut, oval or round; also combinations of the two. $3.00, $5.00, $6.00, $8.00, $10.00, $12.00, $15.00, $20.00 to $29.00.

Sale of Electric and Gas Lamps, and China

$13.50 Library Lamps $9.75
Library Lamps, cast overlaid in new designs, bent art glass panels in amber or green. Complete with silk cord and Mazda bulbs. Three styles. $9.75.

$13.50 Gas Lamps $9.75
Gas lamps, same size and style. Complete with hose, burner, chimney and mantle. $9.75.

$27.50 Haviland French China Sets $21.50
Haviland French China Dinner Sets, 100 pieces in floral designs, three different patterns. Per set, $21.50.

$35.00 French China Set $29.75
French China Dinner Set, 100 pieces including bread and butters; in new spray and foliage designs with Matt gold handles. Per st $29.75.

Only $18.00 for "The McCreery Special" Box Couch

A Box Couch of A-1 materials and make at a very low price for a durable and desirable couch. Regulation size, 2 feet 6 inches by 6 feet; oak feet; covered with figured green denim, self-opening cedar lined. In appearance and comfort this is superior to any Box Couch we have ever been able to offer as low as $18.00.

ROCKWOOD.

ROCKWOOD, Dec. 15.—Mrs. C. F. DeHaven left yesterday for Johnstown where she will visit relatives for several days.

The Brandenburg Coal Mining Company, just east of the Baltimore & Ohio Station at this place, has again resumed operation in part. They expect to be running full within a short time. When the mine is running full it employs between 80 and 90 men.

Lon Colburn of Somerset, and Miss Aileen Colburn of Holsopple, spent Sunday with their father Mrs. Elmira Colburn of this place.

H. T. Camden has returned home, after spending several days with relatives and friends at Glasgow Va.

J. Earl Snyder of Pittsburg spent several days recently with his mother Mrs. Jerry Snyder of Turkeyfoot township. Mr. Snyder is employed by the MacMillan Publishing Company of New York, with offices in Pittsburg.

The following Rockwood cases were settled during court week: E. M. Lavoiny, and John Good, charged by H. H. Speicher with damaging property.

STAR JUNCTION.

STAR JUNCTION, Dec. 16.—John Blaney of Smock, was a business caller in town today.

The Baptist Church is preparing to give a Christmas entertainment.

F. L. Hider of Bruna Vista, was a business caller in town today.

Miss Salina Hess is attending the Institute in Uniontown this week.

Jacob Echard was a caller in Perryopolis last evening.

Lloyd Carr of Uniontown, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Carr of this place.

Mrs. W. L. Risbeck has returned home, after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stuckslager of Perryopolis.

Randolph Echard of Connellsville, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Echard.

Jasper Allen of Smock, was a business caller in town yesterday.

A. B. Knox, manager of the Star Supply Company store, is in Pittsburg buying Christmas goods.

The Colonial Minstrels will be at the Star Junction Auditorium Wednesday evening.

H. C. Sticker was calling on friends in Dawson Sunday.

Jonathan Shaffer of Jackson, who has been ill for a few days, is able to be out again.

William Herbert, of this place was visiting his parents at Dawson Sunday.

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WEDNESDAY EVENG, DEC. 16, 1914

ZERO WEATHER.

It looks as if the weather works department was making a desperate effort to make up in a few days the low average of the past few months. So far as most people are concerned there are no good reasons why the weather factors should make such effort, but of course the plumber and those of our citizens who live in season just as the ice man does.

We had begun to hope that this winter would be of the mild character of that of 1912-13, but it gives evidence of trying to make last winter's ice crop upon shivering humanity. The first cold wave of her winter came in November, but it was not as intense as is this frigid visitation. Perhaps we will fare better in the early months of 1915 than we did in the corresponding period of 1914.

But we can only hope so. The wit of man has not yet devised any means of changing the weather at will or of forecasting, months in advance, weeks and months in advance, as some alleged "prophets" who predict approximate weather years ahead to the contrary notwithstanding.

The cold wave has emulated the Christmas spirit wonderfully. It has not any different the shopping habits, but it has endeared public service at its best that it is to be remembered longer at home. Zero weather presents its uses. It makes people do things they ought to do, but which they neglect to do at other times. It makes us realize that we are the brothers of those who are less fortunate than we are, and it makes us feel that we should do for them what we can cheerfully and generously as we can.

This is a spirit that in the thought that we hold, will soon be broken.

A bankrupt has brought suit against a Pittsburgh concern for $[illegible] commission on a sale of $2,000,000 worth of coal property. The defendant denies the allegation on the ground that the contract was expired. The point of the suit is perhaps whether or not the plaintiff made the sale, or procured the buyer. If he did, he is in equity entitled to a reasonable commission or compensation no matter who the sale contract had expired or not.

At this time plenty of coal, but much of it is hard to name for use of fuel in the yards and the overflow stock.

Just when the new officers are being established and one feels comfortable the boss then becomes master them, a new one comes. It is a matter of court record that a man in the Connellsville police office is not quite as complicated unless he is a "Police Honorary." After he is married he learns to say, "Speedy."

The coke barge has made its appearance in Uniontown and Connellsville. It follows the Democratic Tariff bill right on time.

The steel interest has obtained two more concessions from the Connellsville region. Merchant Farmers now on Dom are pulled at Connellsville the coke ovens and by their fuel, there for is proof to the steel interests who engage in the coke business on their own account instead of buy in for Connellsville region. The proof is plain.

Let us hope the mercury will have an early recovery from its tumble.

The Brazilian [illegible] of Uniontown during the late campaign, represented Robert Bonner as a Bloomfield man who defeated his opponent. Bonner has come into Mexico to [illegible] Governor Genaro Pena. [illegible] Governor Pena [illegible] of [illegible] that some good fighting troops are now on the way to the Rio Grande.

Let us hope, ladies, to do that Christmas shopping now.

The electric committee of the friends of Congress should be petitioned for the overdrift. If the [illegible] raise the money, the [illegible] ought to make another appropriation. All these things, however, and emphasize the necessity of [illegible] organized and [illegible].

Only the [illegible] Republican [illegible] the [illegible] pay the freight.

The cotton crop represents a value of nine billion dollars, and in the industrial sections of the country men and women and innocent children are suffering from hunger. The [illegible] of the country will have more friends at Washington, [illegible] home.

Bad news has brought Dunbar borough to a [illegible] dollar [illegible].

[illegible] for the city to [illegible] work, but it will not be [illegible] contractors. The corporation [illegible] is for the city to do [illegible] when it considers the [illegible] high. This complaint [illegible] the same purpose without scaring off competition.

It will perhaps be a source of disappointment to the American troops [illegible] to the Mexican borders [illegible] Carranza is not there to meet them.

The [illegible] orders have [illegible] the [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Another [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr.

SCOTTDALE

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 16.—The Christmas seal clubs have helped wonderfully in holiday decorations for the storekeepers, who this week have been profiting by the saving that has been going on through the clubs of the First National Bank and the Scottdale Press. Several thousand dollars go into circulation through these clubs.

AUTOMOBILE GAMES.

The Junior team of the Scottdale Athletic Club wants games with other junior teams, preferably those of Connellsville, Connellsville, Leisenring and Mount Pleasant. Any junior teams desiring games should write to J. A. Geary, 101 East Pittsburg Avenue, Scottdale.

HAD A FALL.

While playing basketball on the floor of the Ellsworth Auditorium, Forest McMillen, of the Scottdale Athletic Club, fell on Monday evening. He found that in striking the floor he had dislocated his right wrist. The injured member was laid up, but after he got home Mr. McMillen suffered so much that he went out to see a physician, whose examination showed that, besides the dislocation, there had been a few bones of a wrist broken. Mr. McMillen is now quite comfortable and expects to be out in a few days.

BASKETBALL GAME.

In Ellsworth Auditorium the Scottdale basketball team will have its first encounter on Friday evening, the opposing team being the Junior team, which defeated the Four Masons five, which has been considerable force in the lineup this year. The game will take place promptly.

LOOKED IN.

Although there was a heavy fall of snow on the morning following with the coming of rainy weather, the prospect of sleigh riding has decreased somewhat since the snowfall appeared. Since the snow fell being gone, during the rainy weather there was quite a number of town people looking.

NOTES.

Dr. J. C. Hill, who succeeds Dr. R. S. Yoder as district superintendent, held his first quarterly conference in the Second M. E. Church on Monday evening, and on Tuesday Dr. Hill and Rev. H. S. Dixon attended a meeting in Uniontown regarding the Cole Mission and Fayette.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Beaver were visiting friends in Mount Pleasant on Saturday afternoon.

Wilford McKean left Tuesday evening for New York and other eastern points on business, after spending a week with his mother. Mr. McKean is with the Mimeograph house of New York, in number of the Middle Western states.

The decorations in Lehman's hall near Alverton, the immovable of M. A. Kinney, the latter, under which auspices on Monday afternoon, but the rain came on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. Brownfield were visitors to Layers in Mount Pleasant on Sunday.

Charles Shoop has been wearing a broken leg since last Friday, which was occasion to place there following a fall on the Presbyterian Church, in which Mr. Myers had had a contract for work.

Mr. Nicholas P. Koser was a visitor on Sunday in Mount Pleasant on Sunday.

James Rice, of Mount Pleasant, was here last Sunday visiting to this place on Tuesday.

MOUNT PLEASANT.

MOUNT PLEASANT, Dec. 16.—A man who had stolen [illegible] from Pittsburg, for a purpose to have forgotten to fill his tank, came to the Standard office on Saturday and left a story with Christmas [illegible] on Tuesday morning about 1 o'clock, the office caught on fire and burned much around. There is no insurance on the place, nor is the origin of the fire known.

John I. Flood, who lives near the point of Scott house, died at his home the morning, aged 74 years. The funeral service will be held from his late home at 2 P. M. on Friday.

Special notice for William Miller's [illegible] the Bronze man under [illegible] the Pictures of A. this [illegible].

Matthew Ruff, Huber old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Zoney, died yesterday. The funeral services will be held at the Catholic church and interment will be made in the Polish cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. McCorkert passed a pleasant evening at their North Church street home last Tuesday. Cards were played.

The local Grange of the Patriotic Order of Sons of America, the Greenburg Company and the Greenburg and Scottdale companies in the P. O. S. of A. [illegible] Tuesday evening. Refreshments were served the men.

Mrs. Louise Keller and daughter, Helen, have returned to their home here after a year spent in Pittsburg friends.

Asthma-Catarrh and Bronchitis

Can Be Greatly Relieved by the New External Vapor Treatment.

Melt in a spoon a little Vick's Vapo-Rub. Creep and Pneumonia Salve and inhale the vapors. Put a little up your nostrils and as hot as apply well over throat and chest, covering with a warm flannel cloth. Leave the covering loose around the neck so that the vapors of Menthol, Turpentine, Eucalyptol, Camphor, and Pine Tar [illegible] are released by the body heat and may be inhaled all night long. In Asthma and Hay Fever rub Vick's over the nasal column to relax the membranes [illegible]. This treatment is not a "cure-all" but [illegible] relief. Try it at least the night of your next cold. Vick's [illegible] cold troubles.

VICK'S Croup and Pneumonia SALVE

An Evening Gown In Delicate Shades.

Rich uncut velvet of rose color formed the deep girdle of this novel evening gown. This girdle was gathered in parallel perpendicular lines of interest of three to four inches and reaching from arm pits to hips. The girdle which furnishes solidity to the gown was worn over a filmy underblouse of white net, and pleated tunic of cream crepe de chine with underslip of cream satin. Artificial roses decorated the girdle and formed the center of the double ruffle on the sleeve.

DAWSON.

DAWSON, Dec. 16.—Miss Kathryn Cochran spent Tuesday afternoon in Connellsville.

Mrs. Merle Post spent Tuesday afternoon in Connellsville.

Misses Lee Gee and Mellen Gibson were recent Connellsville callers.

John Oliver met with a severe accident when he fell down the steps at his home on North Dawson, breaking his arm and several ribs.

Mr. Harry Cochran was a recent Connellsville caller.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Horn were recent Connellsville callers.

George Moore spent Monday evening in Connellsville.

Mrs. Frank Ansell was a recent Connellsville caller.

Mrs. W. M. Clark of North Dawson has left for Beaver Falls, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Cole Lewis, who was operated on for appendicitis.

Mrs. H. J. Bolt and Miss Mary Moore spent Monday afternoon in Connellsville.

PERRYOPOLIS.

PERRYOPOLIS, Dec. 16.—J. J. Grossbaum's and O. D. Murphy's were in Connellsville recently.

Clarion T. Davidson and family were down in Pittsburg yesterday to attend a concert.

Many others are in attendance at the County Institute, some going on Saturday, others on Monday morning.

Subjects for services at the Christian Church this week are: Wednesday evening, "A Model Conversation"; Thursday evening, "The New Birth"; Friday evening, "Where Will You Spend Eternity?"; Sunday morning, "What Will You Do With Jesus?"; Sunday evening, "The Tragedy of the Ages." No services on Saturday evening.

BETTER BUSINESS.

More Men Are Employed by Bethlehem Steel Company.

Additional men are being taken on at the Bethlehem Steel Company plant at Bethlehem. Most all of these men have been skilled mechanics and the company is preparing to employ a great number of other workmen as it will be necessary to have them when work on some of the recently secured contracts begins.

The company is erecting a furnace consisting of nine buildings at Newark, Del. The new plant includes a machine, a charging plant, an office building, a power house, two shops and one other small structure.

BETTER WORKING TIME

Tube Mills at McKeesport Have Booked Good Orders.

The National Tube Company mills in McKeesport and vicinity are working longer forces than for several weeks. All four of the rolling mills resumed Monday.

Orders for large quantities of pipe have been received at the McKeesport office of the Tube company, and steady work in all departments is promised. Workers in other mills who had been on half-time had five days last week. More work is expected beginning with the new year.

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THE SOISSON.

"NORTHERN LIGHTS" TODAY.

A northwestern drama that will thrill everyone is "Northern Lights" at the Soisson Theatre today. It is in five reels and has a strong dramatic story. The two red Indian dramas, "The Brand of His Tribe" has Mae Wilcomb and William Conrad in the leading roles, "The Bride Comedy, "He Married Her Mother" and lots of infinity, and the great drama, "Called Back" is the attraction and Saturday the [illegible] and three drama, "Poisoned [illegible]."

MEXICAN POLITICS.

By GEORGE FITCH,

Author of "At Good Old Siwash."

For the last six months the United States has been devoting its careful attention to a study of its politics. Lest the nation should become too narrow in its outlook it is now advisable that the American citizen should look carefully over the politics of Mexico, a remarkably free and easy republic located south of this country and usually about 10,000 miles in the air.

Mexico has also been electing officials. The Mexican system of politics is a very simple one but it should be well understood by the emigrant before he settles down in the country and begins to vote in the carefree American method.

Mexico government is by a president and a battery of quick-triers. The president is elected by the free-born and untrusted citizenship. The elections occur whenever the incoming president or the one who declined to go out has gotten a good strategic position for the ballot boxes. The method of voting is simply. The voter approaches the polls under a flag of truce and gives bail. He also gives three cheers for the president. He is then searched and if no incriminating evidence is found upon him he is dismissed with a warning. If he is of an unusually good reputation he is also given a bulletin announcing the result of the election which is being held.

"The voter approaches the polls under a flag of truce."

Mexican politics are continuous but sporadic. In some parts of the country there may not be any politics for several years, during which large crops will be raised continuously and the people will use their bomb-proofs for wine cellars. In other sections there will be no cessation of politics except when the ammunition of one party or the other is temporarily exhausted. The poorhouse and the cornfield pledge are not used in Mexico, but the bayonet and cartridge are very popular, as are also the pointed and dumdum remarks by both sides. The campaign speech in Mexico is short and simple. This removes one of the chief horrors of the American election. The Mexican candidate simply remarks: "Up guards and at 'em," and the voter uses his bayonet and does the rest.

Mexican politics are hard upon the country which has become a desert during the last few elections. However, they are not much more dangerous than the brand used in the United States. When one party begins to shout hard times as soon as the other party is in power and keeps it up until ten thousand fat and fearful bankers grab the cash of the land and secure, for shelter, we must point with pride to the intelligence of our system.

Mines More Active

Activity in mining is noticeable in the Monongahela valley, particularly at Brownsville where 400 additional miners have gone to work.

COUNT VON HAESELER, "FATHER OF GERMAN ARMY," IN FIELD

COUNT VON HAESELER

Field Marshal Count von Gottlieb Haeseler is called the "father of the modern German army." He is seventy-eight years old and is in active service at the front as a member of the general staff of the German crown prince. He has served with great distinction in the German army since he was a boy, fighting in the war against Denmark in 1864, against Austria in 1866 and in the war against France in 1870-71. When the present war broke out Count von Haeseler went to the kaiser and said: "Your majesty, I lost a rib in France in the war of 1870-71. I want to go back now and get it." He comes from an old Prussian noble family, all the male members of which had served their kings for years. He is given credit for formulating the German army on the lines laid down by the elder von Moltke.

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Razors, Safety	$1.00
Safety Razor sets	$2.50
Scissors	50c up
Manicure sets	50c to $3
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Roasters	$1.00 to $1.60
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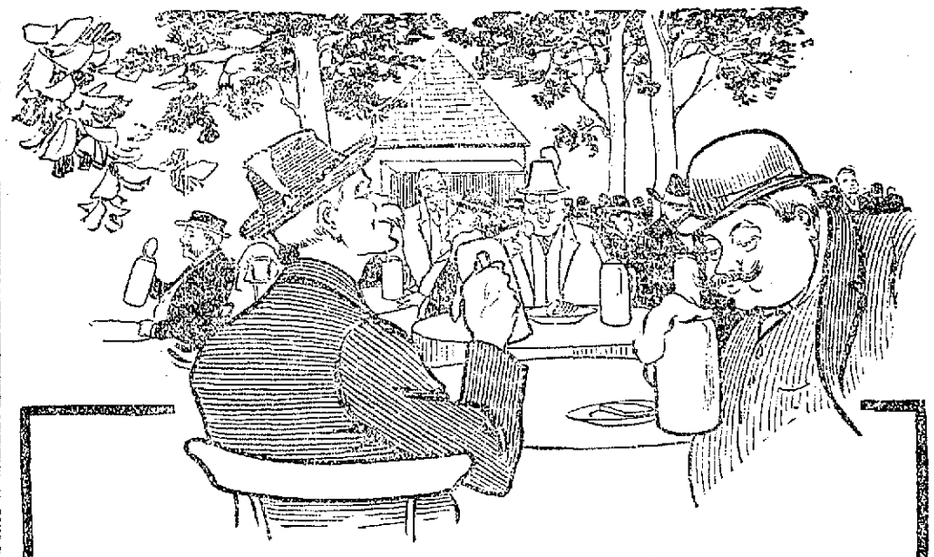

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Woman's World

Lady Paget Heading American Women in London Relief Work.

LADY ARTHUR PAGET.

One of the most important London movements for the relief of sufferers through the European war is that headed by prominent American women and known as the American women's war relief fund. It was originated by Lady Arthur Paget, wife of Sir Arthur Paget, whose husband is a lieutenant general in the British army. Lady Paget is the daughter of the late Mrs. Paran Stevens, a New York society leader, and has been an important figure in British society for many years. She is very wealthy, owning much New York real estate. Her charities are as notable as her splendid social functions. She was a great favorite with the late King Edward and has always been much liked by Queen Alexandra and Queen Mary and other members of the royal family. Besides her husband she has three sons serving in the English army. Noted for her wit, beauty and savoir faire, any philanthropic project that receives her backing is sure to be popular. The first meeting of the war relief fund, which was held in the big London drawing room of Mrs. W. B. Leeds, was attended by such Anglo-American social leaders as the Duchess of Marlborough, Lady Randolph Churchill, Lady Lowther, Mrs. Lewis Vernon Harcourt and many others.

ROCKEFELLER FOOLS TRANCE

Concludes Bargain After Man Has Seven Year Nap.

John D. Rockefeller gets what he goes after. Sometimes it takes him so long that everyone but himself forgets about it, but he never gives up.

Seven years ago he tried to purchase from Hyman Levy a strip of land adjoining his property at Pocantico Hills, New York, which he needed to round out his estate. He won Levy over to his way of thinking, and negotiations were about to be concluded when Levy lost his mind and fell into a serial sleep.

For seven years he was in a stupor, but not long ago he regained his mind. The day after it happened Mr. Rockefeller's agents were on the ground to close negotiations for the property. Now John D. owns the land.

Moral.—Let the other fellow do the sleeping.

Cotton Sacks For Flour Shipments.

In order to increase the demand for cotton one of the largest American flour milling firms has directed its managers and salesmen to urge customers to accept deliveries of flour that are shipped in cotton instead of jute sacks. Hitherto jute imported from India has been used extensively for shipments of flour, both to home and foreign markets. The sacks employed hold 140 pounds each. If the trade can be induced to accept shipments in cotton sacks holding ninety-eight pounds each there will be a marked increase in the demand for home grown cotton.

Good Teeth Aid Longevity.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the pure food expert, seventy years old, gives this recipe for longevity. "Take care of your teeth."

"No man can keep well," he said, "if his teeth are bad or if his mouth is not kept in sanitary condition. I have not a bad tooth in my head."

Eye of a Submarine.

The great fault of the early submarines was that they could not see once they were below the surface of the water. The invention of the periscope altered all that and gave the modern submarine a marvelous eye by means of which it could see over the surface of the ocean, though the body of the submarine is completely below the waves. The eye of the submarine is a straight, hollow tube starting from the steering chamber of the vessel and projecting above the surface of the waves when the boat is submerged. As the periscope is only a matter of six inches in diameter and only projects some eighteen inches above the waves, it is a most difficult thing to see by an enemy. Its total length is about fifteen feet. The submarine's eye is really a combination of telescope and camera obscura. At the top is a powerful lens, and inside at intervals all the way down is a series of mirrors which carry the reflection of what is above the surface to the watcher in the submarine fifteen feet below.—Pearson's Weekly.

When Boys Were Taught to Smoke.

The habit of juvenile smoking in England in the seventeenth century was practically universal. Jorevin de Rochefort, a French traveler of that period, in an account published in 1671 gives a description of an evening he spent at Worcester. He was catechized by one of the townsmen as to the habits of the French people.

"While we were walking about the town," he writes, "he asked me if it was the custom in France, as in England, that when the children went to school they carried in their satchels with their books a pipe of tobacco which their mother took care to fill early in the morning, it serving them instead of breakfast and that at the accustomed hour every one laid aside his book to light his pipe, the master smoking with them and teaching them how to hold their pipes and draw in their tobacco, thus accustoming them to it from their youth, believing it absolutely necessary for a man's health."—St. James' Gazette.

MOYEN AGE EFFECT.

A Youthful Frock Showing the Charming New Line in Dress.

Simplicity in style and cut in combination with the low waist line makes the essential feature of the moyen age idea, and this costume shows it.

The circular tunic flares most gracefully over the narrow two piece skirt, and the two materials are combined most successfully in the body portion.

The materials shown here are gabardine and velvet, but broadcloth would be handsome treated in the same way.

TUNIC DRESS.

The bound edges make an interesting feature, for bindings of silk braid are exceedingly smart this season.

For the sixteen year size the dress will require two and one-half yards of material twenty-seven inches wide, with three yards of velvet forty-four inches wide and ten yards of braid to make as illustrated.

Discouraged.

"Are you working for the uplift?"

"Well, I'd like to. But everybody I try to uplift tells me to mind my own business."—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

DARING NEW NEGLIGEE.

Boudoir Costume Whose Lines Suggest the Orient.

TURKISH BOUDOIR DRESS.

The boudoir costume shown here is one of the most comfortable of the daring new models. The extremely comfortable skirt suggests trousers. It is worn with a little Turkish jacket. The costume is of white satin and crepe de chine over peachblow silk. The collar of white satin is decorated with appliqued roses in pink.

Cubist gown is the name given to a new negligee that is a sort of glorified kimono. It is in white crepe de chine, with a wide band of antique lace insertion at the hem and tassels from the points of the drapery. Fascinating caps to match come with the gown.

Tennyson's Uniform.

The late Sir Arthur Sullivan used to relate this reminiscence of Tennyson.

"The first time Tennyson came to dine at our house," said Sir Arthur, "the door was opened to him by a parlor maid who had been with us many years and was like one of the family. She was fairly staggered by the appearance of the visitor, who always wore a deep, broad brimmed black felt hat and black cape, which made him look exactly like a conspirator in an Italian play. When the guests had departed the maid said to me:

"'Was that really the great poet, Master Arthur? Well, he do wear clothes!'

"'Of course,' I replied with subtle irony, 'all poets do. Besides, you forget that he is a poet laureate.'

"She hadn't forgotten it, for she had never known it. After a slight pause she said thoughtfully:

"'What a queer uniform!'"

First Reaping Machine.

In Farm and Fireside appears an article about Cyrus H. McCormick—the man who made the first successful reaper. He built it as a boy without his father's knowing it and tried it out one fall. It was not entirely a success, but he made some changes and tried it again. Finally, in 1831, he made his first successful reaper. He kept on making improvements and in 1834 had a machine good enough to patent. He offered them for sale for $30 apiece, but no one would buy. Finally, in 1839, he invited a lot of farmers to see it work. It cut two acres an hour. That was really wonderful in those days, but still no one would buy it. The next year, 1840, a man at Egypt, Va., bought the first machine and paid $30 for it. It worked, and faith in the new invention began to spread.

Malaria Mosquito Discovered.

After ten months' study Walker and Barker of the bureau of science, Manila, P. I., announce that they have found that the cause of malaria is a hitherto unsuspected mosquito that inhabits fresh running water. The mosquito has been named the Myzomia febrifera. Its presence accounts for hitherto inexplicable epidemics of malaria throughout the Philippine archipelago.

Strained Explanation.

Lawyer—Don't you think you are straining a point in this explanation? Witness—Maybe I am, but you often have to strain things to make them clear.—Judge.

B. & O. LEAGUE

The Machinists lost three straight games to the Yard last night on the Opperman-Wilson alleys. Heinbaugh had high total, 341. The scores:

MACHINISTS.				
Sliger	99	81	101	281
Kenner	76	125	103	304
A. Friel	88	107	99	294
Logan	84	77	94	255
Fabran	88	106	112	306
Total	435	496	509	1440
YARD.				
C. Opperman	97	96	87	280
Kincaid	115	110	115	340
Wilson	84	122	103	309
Miller	101	90	120	311
Heinbaugh	120	127	94	341
Total	517	545	519	1582

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

	W.	L.	Pct.
Motive	24	3	.889
Yard	23	10	.698
Superintendent	19	14	.418
Machinists	9	18	.333
Freight	9	18	.333
Shop	8	22	.267

TIRED OF STRIKES

West Virginians Plan Legislation to Settle Disputes.

Failure of the business men of Wheeling to bring about a settlement of the coal strike in Eastern Ohio has caused many of them to lend support to a movement to introduce at the coming session of the West Virginia legislature a measure or measures designed to prevent industrial strife in this state.

At the last session a bill modeled after the Canadian industrial disputes act, drawn up by C. Burgess Taylor of this city, failed to pass. The same measure in slightly amended form will be offered again by Mr. Taylor, ex-Congressman William P. Hubbard, of Wheeling, has drafted a bill for the same purpose, but different from the Dominion act in many particulars.

Equipment Orders Coming.

Orders for railroad cars and locomotives during the first ten days of December were larger in the aggregate than the total of orders placed during the period of three months preceding.

Oil City Gets Torpedo Order.

The Oil City Torpedo Company has received an order from England for 200 "white head" torpedoes.

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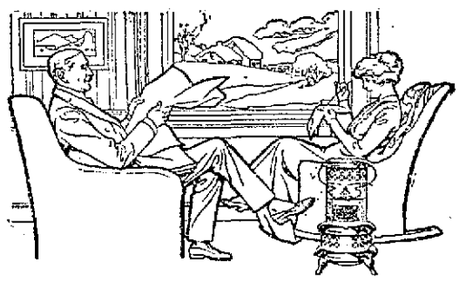

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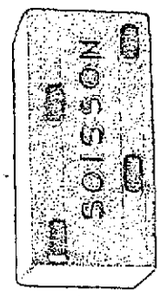

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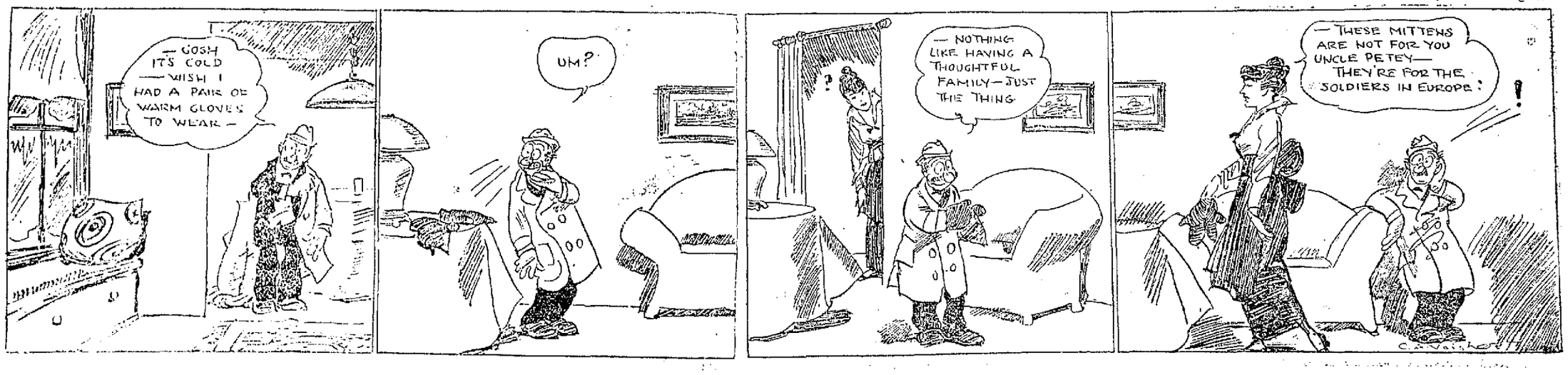

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Christmas week came.

Cities by thousands made preparation. Great shops food, on vast cargoes of silk and precious things and opened ready to sell about, distributing gifts to the town, and thought better of it and let toll come in numbers to them to pay toll for what they took. Banks opened their doors and poured out now a little trickling stream of pay envelopes, now a torrent of green and gold. Flower stalls drew tribute from a million pots of earth where miracles had been done. Pastry counters, those mock commissariats delicately masking as sweets to necessity, made ready their pretty pennance to gluttony. The woods came marching in acres of living green, taken in their sleep, their roots left faithful to a fryst with the sap, their tops summoned to bear a helpful fruitage. Urban cathedrals rose the voices of children, now singing little carols and hymns in praise of the Christ Child, now speaking little verses in praise of the child. Nobody now clamoring for little new possessions. And afar from the lights that lay empty about the clustered roofs of towns came a chorus of voices of the live things, beast and fowl, being offered up in the gorgeous pagan rites of the day.

Hither and yonder in every city the grown townsfolk ran. The most bad lists of names—Grace, Margaret, Laura, Alice, Miriam, John, Philip, father, mother beautiful names and of rich portent, so that, remembering the time, one would have said that these were uttered there with some import of special comradeship of being face to face of having real, if in little what will some day be true in large. But on looking over the list were found to be quite other common names, as for instance, Jacob, Margaret, scarlet scarf, Lamp, of the dish, Plain, cooking set, Father Mom. Ask another what she then asked were And every name, it seemed, stood for some bestowal of new property, most of luxuries, and chiefly of leisure of diversion. And the minds of the buying adults were like little glad upon by clouds and strange birds and lightning, and, to be so, in an instant, but all to unattainable conclusion.

Also from the cargo Eden shop there came other voices by thousands but these were mostly answers. And when one understanding Christmas, listened to hear what part in it these behind the counter played he heard from them no voice of sharing in the theme of peace, or even of truce, but in vend.

Two and odd double width, downstairs is in the annex. Dad you want three pairs of socks. Will and neck wear three aisles over. Father, glass ware baskets, ribbons, down the store beyond the notions. Toy and dolls, me to the basement. Toys and dolls are on the basement. Jewelry is in the annex.

So that a great part of the town moved some long chorus of invoices to new places.

But there were other voices. Whole pieces of evening prayer, gathered with in the days of Christmas week, at least, it was said, to the person concerned, and, in instance, but rarely, a little [illegible] both and [illegible] one for [illegible] daughter. But to these voices of the town the calendar was like another thing, for, much it was spoken, the occasion, its only presence was with them in those all smelling days, and soft. There was little to dispute the fact, despite of everything, we then thought, of Christ. And whatever form of Christmas week had crept in with fulness of the heart was to be [illegible] that how one could understand its existence. So here the voices said, "I wish, I wish" and "I know this and that I wished" or, "If I had to say what I asked." "Don't you go expecting nothing." And over the town went the whir of machinery [illegible] of excuses in the shape of broad silences or of the desire of deception. It was a [illegible] of [illegible] pagan observances, in which some were [illegible] in precious stuff and some were [illegible] to long.

To all these in the towns that time were come, and of them all not [illegible] and looked Christmas week in the face. Yet it is a human experience that now is meant to do with [illegible] to the soul in the quality of what happens to feel, if they [illegible].

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CHAPTER X.

The Turn.

THEN the turn of the year comes in; the year begins to mount. Birth is in it; growth is in it; spring is in it. Sometimes, away back in beginnings, they knew this. They knew that the time of the winter solstice is in some strange fashion the high moment of the year, as the beginning of new activity in nature and in the gods. They solemnized the return of the fiery sun wheel; they traced in those solstice days the operations on earth of Odin and Bacchus; they knew in themselves a thing they could not name, and when the supreme experience took place in Christ they made the one experience typify the other and became conscious of the divine nature of this activity. So, by the Illuminati, the geniuses, the adepts, the time that followed was yearly set aside—forty days of dwelling within the temple of self, forty days of reverence for being, of consciousness of new birth. Then the emergence, then the apotheosis of expression typifying and typified by spring—the time when bursting, pressing life almost breaks bounds, when birth and the impulse to birth are in every form of life without and within. These festivals are not arbitrary in date. They grow out of the universal experience.

Is it not then cause for stupefaction that this time of "divine bestowal" should have become so physical a thing? From the ancient perception, to have slipped into a sense of annual social comradeship and good will and peace was natural and fine—to live in the little what will some day be true in the large. But from this to have jangled down into a time of frantic physical bestowals, of "present buying," of lists of Grace and Margaret and Philip, of teeming shops with hunting and hunted creatures within, of sacrificial trees and beasts, of a sovereign sense of good for me and mine and a shameless show of Lord and Lady Beautiful—how can that have come about? How can the great festival have been so dishonored?

Not all dishonored, for within it is its own vitality which nothing can dishonor. Through all the curious variations which it receives at our hands, something shines and stings; old giving, joy giving, a vast, dim upflickering on humanity of what this thing really is that it took to observe, this thing that grips men so that no matter for what they are about, they will drop it at the touch of the song and turn to some expression, however crooked and thwarted, of the real spirit of the time. If in war, then bayonets are stacked and holly wreathed, and candles stuck on each point! If at sea some sailor climbs out on the bowsprit with a wreath of green. If on the western plains a turkey wishbone for target will make the sport, at fifty paces. If at home some great extravagance or some humble gift or some poignant wish will point the day. If at church, then mass and carol; in certain hearts reverence. Everywhere the time takes hold of folk and receives whatever of greatness or greediness they choose to give it. So, too, the actual and vital experience which it brings to humanity is universal, is offered with cosmic regularity, cannot be escaped. Through all the tumult of the time Christmas week; and the time that lies near to it is always waiting to claim its own, to take to itself those who will not be deceived, who see in the stupendous yearly pageant only the usual spectacle of humanity trying to say divine things in terms of things physical, because the time for the universal expression is not yet come.

When that time comes, when the time of the worship of things shall be past, when the tribal sense of holiday shall have given place to the family sense, and that family shall be mankind; when shall never be seen the anomaly of celebrating in a glorification of little family tables, whose crumbs fall to those without, the birth of him who preached brotherhood, and the mockery of observing with wanton spendthrift the birth of him who had not where to lay his head; when the rudiments of divine perception, of self perception, of social perception, shall have grown to their text estate, when the area of consciousness shall be extended yet further toward the uttermost, when that new knowledge with which the air is charged shall let man begin to know what he is; when that time comes they will look back with utmost wonder at our uncouth gropings to note and honor something whose import we so obscurely discern, but perhaps, too, with wonder that so much of human love and divining should shine for us through the mists we make.

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Two days before Christmas Ellen Bourne went through the new fallen snow of their wood lot. Her feet left scuffed tracks clouded about by the brushing of her gown's wet hem and by a dragging corner of shawl. She came to a little evergreen tree, not four feet tall, with low growing boughs, and she stood looking at it until her husband, who was also following the snow filled path, overtook her.

"Matthew," she said then, "will you cut me that?"

Matthew Bourne stood with his ax on his shoulder and looked a question in slow preparation to ask one.

"I just want it," she said. "I've—took a notion."

He said that she had a good many notions, it seemed to him. But he cut the little tree with casual ease and no comparisons, and they dragged it to their home, the soft branches patterning the snow and obscuring their footprints.

"It's like real Christmas weather," Ellen said. "They can't stop that coming anyhow."

In the kitchen Ellen's father sat before the open oven door of the cooking stove, letting the snow melt from his heavy boots.

"Hey," he said, "I was beginning to think you'd forgot about supper. What was in the trap?"

At once Ellen began talking rapidly. "Oh," she said, "we'll have some muffins tonight, father; the kind you like, with"—

"Well, what was in the trap?" the old man demanded peevishly. "Why don't you answer back? What was, Mat?"

"Matthew," she said then, "will you cut me that?"

Matthew, drying his ax blade, looked at it with one eye closed.

"Rabbit," he said.

"Where is it?" her father demanded.

"It was a young one, not as big as your fist," Ellen said. "I let it out before he got there. Where's mother?"

"Just because a thing's young it ain't holy water," the old man complained. "Last time it was a squirrel you let go because it was young. It's like being spendthrift with mamma," he went on.

Ellen's mother appeared, gave over to Ellen the supper preparations, contented herself with auxiliary offices of cream and butter getting and talked the while, pleased that she had something to disclose.

"Ben Helders stopped in," she told. "He's going to the city tomorrow. What do you s'pose after? A boy. He's going to take him to bring up and work on the farm."

"Where's he going to get the boy?" Ellen asked.

Her mother did not know, but Mrs. Helders was going to have a new diagonal, and she wanted the number of Ellen's pattern. Ben would stop to it that night.

Evenings their kitchen was a sitting room, and when the supper had been cleared away and the red cotton spread covered the table, Ellen asked her husband to bring in the little tree. She found a cracker box, handily cut a hole with a cooking knife and set up the little tree by the window in the kitchen.

"What under the canopy"—said her mother, her voice cracking.

"Oh, something to do in the evening," Ellen answered. "Father's going to pop me some corn to trim it with, aren't you, father? Mother, why don't you get you a good big darning needle and string what he pops?"

"It'll make a lot of litter," said her mother, but she brought the needle for something to do.

"Hey, king and country!" said her father; "I'd ought to have somebody here to shell it for me!"

"Who you trimming up a tree for?" her mother demanded. "I thought they wasn't to be one in town this year."

"It ain't Christmas yet," Ellen said only. "I guess it won't do any hurt two days before."

While the two worked, Ellen went to the cupboard drawer, and from behind her pile of kitchen towels she drew out certain things—walnuts, wrapped in shining yeast tinsel and dangling from red yarn, wishbones tied with strips of bright cloth; a tiny box, made like a house, with rudely cut doors and windows; eggshells pencilled as faces, a handful of peanut owls, a glass stoppered bottle, a long necklace of bartondale twist spools. A certain blue paper soldier doll that she had made was upstairs, but the other things she brought and fastened to the tree.

Her husband snicked and uneasily watched her. He saw something within her plan, but he was not at home there. "If the boy had lived and had been upchamber asleep now," he thought once, "I'd be something like to go trimming up a tree. But this way"—

"What you leaving the whole front of the tree bare for?" her mother asked.

"The blue paper soldier goes there. I want it should see the blue paper soldier first thing," Ellen said and stopped abruptly.

"You talk like you was trimming the tree for somebody," her mother observed, aggrieved.

"Maybe something might look in the window—going by," Ellen said.

"Get in there! Get your heads in there, ye beggars!" said the old man to the popcorn. "I'd ought to have somebody here to pick up them shooting kernels," he complained.

In a little while, with flat footed stamping, Ben Helders came in. When he had the pattern number, by laborious copying against the wall under the bracket lamp, Matthew said to him:

"Going to get a boy to work out, are you?"

Helders laughed and shifted.

"He's going to work by and by," he said. "We allow to have him to ourselves a spell first."

"Keep him around the house till spring?"

"More," said Helders. "You see," he added, "it's like this with us—family all gone, all married and got their own. We figured to get hold of a little shaver and have some comfort with him before he goes to work for life."

"Adopt him?" said Matthew curiously.

"That's pretty near it," Helders admitted. "We've got one spoke for at the City Orphan asylum."

Ellen Bourne turned. "How old?" she asked.

"Around five—six, we figure," Helders said it almost sheepishly.

Ellen stood facing the men, with the white festoons of popcorn in her hands.

"Matthew," she said, "let him bring us one."

Matthew stared. "You mean bring us a boy?" he asked.

"I don't care which—girl or boy. Anything young," Ellen said.

"Good Lord, Ellen," Matthew said, with high eyebrows, "isn't you got your hands full enough now?"

Ellen Bourne lifted her hands slightly and let them fall. "No," she answered.

The older woman looked at her daughter, and now first she was solicitous as a mother.

"Ellen," she said, "you have, too, got your hands full. You're wore out all the time."

"That's it," Ellen said, "and I'm not wore out with the things I want to do."

"Hey, king and country!" the old man cried, upsetting the popper. "Don't get a child around here underfoot. I'm too old. I deserve grown folks. My head hurts me"—

"Matthew," said Ellen to her husband, "let Helders bring us one. Tomorrow—for Christmas, Mat!"

Matthew looked slowly from side to side. It seemed incredible that so large a decision should be with a man so ineffectual.

"Seems like we'd ought to think about it awhile first," he said weakly.

"Think about it," said Ellen. "When haven't I thought about it? When have I thought about anything else but him we haven't got any more?"

"Ellen," the mother mourned, "you don't know what you're taking on yourself"—

"Hush, mother," Ellen said gently. "You don't know what it is. You had me."

She faced Helders. "Will you bring two when you come back tomorrow night?" she said. "And one of them for us?"

Helders looked sidewise at Matthew, who was fumbling at his pipe.

"Wouldn't you want to see it first, now?" Helders temporized. "And a girl or a boy now?"

"No, I wouldn't want to see it first. I couldn't bear to choose. One healthy, from healthy parents, and either girl or boy," Ellen said and stopped. "The nicest tree thing I've made is for a boy," she owned. "It's a paper soldier I made these things for fun," she added to Helders.

For the first time Helders observed the tree. Then he looked in the woman's face. "I'll fetch out a boy for you if you say so," he said.

"Then do," she bade.

When the four were alone again Mat sat looking at the floor. "Every headlong thing I've ever done I've gone headlong over," he said gloomily.

Ellen took a coin from the clock shelf. "When Ben goes past tomorrow," she merely said, "you'll likely see him. Have him get some little candles for the tree."

"My head hurts me," the old man gave out. "This ain't the place for a great noisy boy."

Ellen put her hand on his shoulder almost maternally.

"See, dear," she said, "then you'd be grandfather."

"Hey?" he said. "Not if it was adopted, I wouldn't."

"Why, of course. That would make it ours—and yours. See," she cried, "you've been stringing popcorn for it already, and you didn't know!"

"Be grandfather, would I?" said the old man. "Would I? Hey, king and country! Grandfather again!"

Ellen was moving about the kitchen lightly with that manner which eager interest brings, of leaving only half footprints.

"Come on, mother," she said; "we must get the popcorn strung for sure, now!"

The mother looked up at the tree. "Seems as if," she said, wrinkling her forehead, "I used to make pink marleton stockings for your trees and fill 'em with the corn. I dunno but I've got a little piece of pink marleton somewheres in my bottom drawer."

A Tree This Soldier's Booth Back Of the German Lines in France

CHAPTER XI.

The Day Before Christmas.

NEXT night they had the bracket lamp and the lamp on the shelf and the table hand lamp all burning. The little tree was gay with the white corn and the colored trifles. The kitchen seemed to be centering in the tree, as if the room had been concerned long enough with the doings of these grown folk and now were looking ahead to see who should come next. It was the high moment of immemorial expectancy, when those who are alive turn the head to see who shall come after.

"What you been making all day, daddy?" Ellen asked, tense at every sound from without.

Her father, neat in his best clothes, blew away a last piece of sawed wood and held out something.

"I just whittled out a kind of a clothespin man," he explained. "I made one for you once, and you liked it like everything. Mebbe a boy won't?" he added doubtfully.

"Oh, but a boy will!" Ellen cried and tied the doll above the blue paper soldier.

"Didn't they ought to be here pretty soon?" Matthew asked nervously. "Where's mother?"

"She's watching from the front room window," Ellen answered.

Once more Helders came stamping on the kitchen porch, but this time there was a patter of other steps, and Ellen caught open the door before he summoned. Helders stepped into the room, and with him was a little boy.

"This one?" Ellen asked, her eyes alive with an eagerness.

But Helders shook his head.

"Mis' Bourne," he said, "I'm real dead sorry. They wa'n't but the one. Just the one we'd spoke for."

"One?" Ellen said. "You said orphan asylum."

"There's only the one," Helders repeated. "The others is little bits of babies or else spoke for like ours—long ago. It seems they do that way. But I want you should do something; I want you and Matthew should take this one. Mother and I—we're older; we ain't set store so much."

Ellen shook her head and made him know, with what words she could find, that it could not be so. Then she knelt and touched at the coat of the child, a small frightened thing, with cap too large for him and one mitten lost. But he looked up briskly and his eyes stayed on the Christmas tree. Ellen said little things to him and went to take down for him some trifle from the tree.

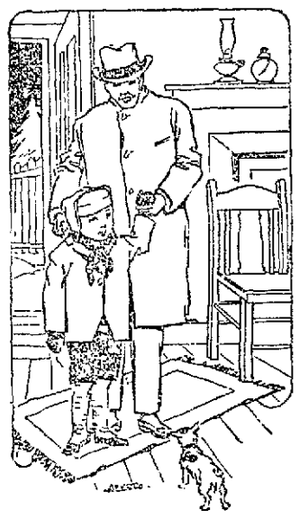
"I'm just as much obliged," she said quietly to Helders. "I never thought of there not being enough. We'll wait."

Helders was fumbling for something. "Here's your candles. I thought you might want them for somethin' else," he said, and turned to Matthew. "And here's your quarter. I didn't get the toy you mentioned. I thought you wouldn't want it without the little kid."

Matthew looked swiftly at Ellen. He had not told her that he had sent by Helders for a toy. And at that Ellen crossed abruptly to her husband, and she was standing there as they let Helders out with the little boy.

Ellen's father pounded his knee.

"But how long'll we have to wait? How long'll we have to wait?" he demanded shrilly. "King and country, why didn't somebody ask him that?"



Helders Stopped Into the Room, and With Him Was a Little Boy.

Matthew tore open the door.

"Helders," he shouted, "how long did they say we'd have to wait?"

"Mebbe only a week or two, mebbe longer," Helders' voice came out of the dark. "They couldn't tell me."

Ellen's mother stood fastening up a fallen tinsel walnut.

"Let's leave the tree right where it is," she said. "Even with it here we won't have enough Christmas to hurt anything."

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On that morning of the day before Christmas Mary Chavah woke early, while it was yet dark. With closed eyes she lay in the grip of a dream that was undisturbed by her waking. In the dream she had seen a little town lying in a hollow, lighted and peopled, but without foundation.

"It isn't born yet," they told her who looked with her, "and the people are not yet born."

"Who is the mother?" she had asked, as if everything must be born of woman.

"You," they had answered.

On which the town had swelled and rounded and swung in a hollow of cloud, globed and shining, like the word.

"You," they had kept on saying.

The sense that she must bear and mother the thing had grasped her with all the sickening force of dream fear. And when the dream slipped into the remembrance of what the day would bring her the grotesque terror hardly lessened, and she woke to a sense of oppression and coming calamity such as not even her night of decision to take the child had brought to her, a weight as of physical faintness and sickness.

"I feel as if something was going to happen," she said over and over.

She was wholly ignorant that in that week just passed the word had been liberated and had run round Old Trail Town in the happiest open secrecy.

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HUMAN INTEREST TALES OF THE WAR

Associated Press Correspondence.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—England probably never will lay down another dreadnought, says one of the foremost ship builders in this country who for obvious reasons cannot be quoted. All the dreadnoughts according to this authority, which have been laid down will be pushed to completion but no orders will be given for another vessel of this type. This policy was given serious consideration when the Audacious went to the bottom and the recent loss of the Bulwark has only served to confirm the opinion that the battleship as a fighting craft is doomed.

All new construction in the British shipyards consists of heavily armed cruisers of great cost carrying capacity, destroyers and submarines. For ten miles along the Tyne in coming into Newcastle the passengers on the boat cannot hear a other speak because of the din of steam hammers most of which are building destroyers and submarines.

When Sir Percy Scott expressed his doubts of the efficiency of the dreadnought just after England had placed her seal on it as the premier fighting unit of naval warfare, his unorthodoxy made him the strategic heretic of his time, but this war has come near to vindicating his theory, for thus far not a single success can be placed to the credit of a dreadnought while the experimental, almost despised, submarine has won none of the naval laurels.

France is also reported as launching the construction of submarines while Russia is said to have asked for tenders on a submarine of two thousand tons.

HOW TO PREVENT ACID STOMACHS AND FOOD FERMENTATION

By a Stomach Specialist.

As a specialist who has spent many years in the study and treatment of stomach troubles, I have been forced to the conclusion that most people who complain of stomach trouble possess stomachs that are absolutely healthy and normal. The real trouble, that which causes all the pain and distress, is excessive acid in the stomach, aggravated by food fermentation. Hyperacidity irritates the delicate lining of the stomach and food fermentation causes wind which distends the stomach abnormally, causing that full bloated feeling. This both acid and fermentation interfere with and retard the process of digestion. The stomach is usually healthy and normal, but irritated almost beyond endurance by two foreign elements—acid and wind. In all such cases—and they comprise over 90 per cent of all stomach difficulties—the first and only step necessary is to neutralize the acid and stop the fermentation by taking in a little warm or cold water immediately after eating, from one to two teaspoonfuls of bisurated magnesia, which is doubtless the best and most really effective antacid and food corrective known. The acid will be neutralized and the fermentation stopped almost instantly, and your stomach will at once proceed to digest the food in a healthy, normal manner. Be sure to ask your druggist for the bisurated magnesia, as I have found other forms utterly lacking in its peculiarly valuable properties.—F. J. G. Adv.

FOREST NOTES

Only 71 per cent of last season's 400 fires in national forests of Utah, Southern Idaho, Western Wyoming and Nevada caused losses in excess of $100.

Virginia uses more wood for boxes and crates than any other state, followed by New York, Illinois, Massachusetts and California in the order named.

Those familiar with the eastern mistletoe only have no idea of the great loss due to this parasite in the forests of the west, where it competes next to fire and insects in the amount of damage done.

In parts of the west where trees are scarce, sage brush is used for fuel. In Nevada the large main stems are trimmed by Indians at $3.00 a cord and delivered to the used at about $6.50. Sage brush burns rapidly and is rather dirty, but produces good heat.

A log raft containing one million feet of cedar, said to be the largest ever built, on the Pacific, recently made the trip from British Columbia to Puget Sound. It was 100 feet long and 70 feet wide, it stood 15 feet out of the water and 20 feet under.

OHIOPYLE.

OHIOPYLE, Dec. 15.—Charles Pratt was a business caller in Connellsville Tuesday.

Arthur Kounsler, who has spent the past month here, left on No. 14 last evening for Pittsburg.

John Hide spent Tuesday look.ng after business in Connellsville.

E. S. Jones returned to Ohiopyle yesterday after a short visit in Pittsburgh.

Three below zero here Tuesday morning.

Dr. Cottom, of Dawson, was here Tuesday in his office here.

James Lindeman, of Victoria, left yesterday for Uniontown.

Roy Benbow, who has been here for the past six weeks, left Tuesday for his W. M. C. R. for his parents' home in Ind.

[illegible] Connellsville [illegible] business matters.

Yesterday was a busy shopping day for the women of this place and many got busy Tuesday and early morning and [illegible] the good shopping stuff.

Misses Mae and Fanny Lindeman left Tuesday for a short visit among friends in Uniontown.

Mrs. John Tyner and Miss Ada Brown spent Tuesday shopping in Connellsville.

J. B. Grindle was in town yesterday.

Do your Christmas shopping now.

Mrs. Thomas W. Gregory is Wife of New Attorney General of U. S.

MRS. THOMAS W. GREGORY.

Mrs. Thomas W. Gregory is the wife of the new Attorney General of the United States. She has been received with interest by Washington society and has won the admiration of those who have been entertained by her. Mrs. Gregory, who is the mother of two boys and two girls, is talented and a charming hostess. She has been in Washington only a few years, coming from Texas where her husband was a prominent lawyer at Austin. Mrs. Gregory is essentially a home woman, but her brilliant attainments have made her much sought after in society and club life of the national capital.

TOO MANY FATALITIES

West Virginia Chief Deplores 25 Deaths in Month of November.

The accident report of the West Virginia Department of Mines of fatal accidents, inside and outside, for November, shows a total of 25. Of this number, 11 were from falls of roof and coal, 4 were from mine cars, three from motors, two each from electricity and miscellaneous causes, and one each from mining machines, low voltage electricity and explosion.

The number of deaths has led Chief Earl A. Henry of the Bureau of Mines to issue the following warning to operators:

"It is evident that more rigid discipline is needed on the part of the mine officials in connection with men at the working faces and instructions should be issued to all foremen that, whenever a dangerous condition is found in a working place instead of chalk marking the same, they should either remove the workmen from such place or remain with them until such time as the place is made safe.

"There are many reports advising that foremen, after marking dangerous conditions, left the places without taking any further action and in a short time thereafter the men working in these places were killed. This is conclusive evidence that, in order to reduce the number of such accidents, it is necessary to take drastic action in such cases and it is my opinion that a mine foreman does not fulfill his duty in any case where he passes a dangerous condition.

"In many of the cases like the above noted, the employes are foreigners or impracticable Americans and are, therefore, not responsible from the simple fact that they do not realize the dangerous conditions and these cases should have personal attention."

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Coming Thursday, 21st Episode, Million Dollar Mystery. Friday, In the Lion's Jaw. Saturday, Big Feature, Germania

NEW

Empire Theatre

Pittsburg Street.

The American Film Co. Presents Wm. Garwood and Vivian Rich in

SIR GALAHAD

A Trapper's Story With a Grip In Two Parts.

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Coming Saturday UNCLE TOM'S CABIN In 5 Parts.

Special Matinee For Children.

WRIGHT-METZLER GIFT THINGS

EASY TO BUY, SAFE TO GIVE, SURE TO BE APPRECIATED

Shopping Hours

THIS WEEK

Store Open until 6 P. M.;
Saturday evening.....10 P. M.

NEXT WEEK

Mon., Dec. 21, open until 9 P. M.
Tues., Dec. 22, open until 9:00
Wednes., Dec. 23, open until 9:00
Thu., Dec. 24, open until 10 P. M.

Bath Robes $5. with slippers—

—A special value! Splendid quality German-fleeced cotton, soft, warm and attractive. Good choice of new colorings and patterns for men. Others to $10. Clothing Store.

SPECIAL NOTICE

To Encourage Morning Shopping Double Silver Trading Coupons Will be given until 12 noon each day.

GIFT THINGS MEN LIKE—AND USE.

—**Sweaters.** The good, all-wool kinds that wear longest. Various style collars, buttoning high and snug. Different weights and weaves and colors—and an extra value sweater, gray-color, at $4, men's size. Others, for men and boys, $1 to $10.

—Jersey Coats, Cardigan jackets, etc.

—Rain coats are $5 to $20.

—Fur caps are $2.50 to $10.

—**Special Cowhide bag $5.** Bought in small lots, we'd have to sell them at 6.50 each. Leather lining, English sunken lock, three sizes—16, 17 and 18 inches. Other bags, some fitted, to $25.

Turkish Towels

Are Most Attractive This Year

Some of the newest kinds no place in town but here. Stamped towels, colored border towels, white towels with place for letter. Full size and guest size and some have wash cloths to match.

20c, 30c, 35c to $1 each.

Second floor—Domestic Section.

Christmas Neckwear

Hand-Embroidered Pieces A-plenty

Snow-white guimpes that fairly "make" the dress you wear them on; some are of net, some of white organdie and all in many styles. Hand-embroidery, fine lace and other feminine touches—50c to $2.

Collars are in the new shapes—high and rolling, flat and other effects, fine, too, with dainty needle work.

35c, 50c to 1.50 each.

Neckwear—First floor.

25c Handkerchiefs

A New Shipment Just In

—Crisp and dainty squares, come to join the big collection in the Christmas booth. Taped and plain hemstitched styles; plain white, with one corner hand-embroidered; white with colored embroidery or designs; 'kerchiefs with hemmed edges—all, of course, pure linen or sheerest lawn.

Booth, first floor.

Christmas Cards

and Calendars. Many, Many Kinds

The great variety of both easily makes us headquarters for Christmas cards and calendars. Special advantages in buying, and a big outlet, only could get together the very large assortment we show. The Cards are lithographed, die stamped or hand-painted. Prices are one cent to 25c each. Here are calendars as low as 5c and as high as 2.50.

First floor—Inside front door.

Athena Underwear

Is Unlike Any Other Kind

Most knit undegarments are cut on straight lines by the maker and pulled into shape by the wearer. "Athena" is cut to conform to the shape of the figure; it fits by perfection of making rather than by the persuasion of wear.

—Cotton vests and pants	50c
Extra sizes	65c
—Cotton union suits	$1.00
Extra sizes	$1.25
—Merino vests and pants	$1.00
Extra sizes	$1.25
—Merino unionsuits	$2.00
Extra sizes	$2.25
Silk-and-wool suits	$3.50

Underwear—Second floor

Lovely Gift Silks

—New and Fashionable Weaves

Silks are being bought more and more for Christmas gifts. Many people choose the black silks, and all the dependable weaves are here from 85c to 4.50 a yard. Staple colors and novelty effects at many different prices.

We'll box your selection.

Silks—First floor.

Linen store Gifts

To Gladden the Housewife

—besides the glistening white table damask and napkins of purest linen, we have, in equal variety:

—Madeira linen in new effects;
—Linens trimmed with cluny lace;
—Drawn work linens; and
—Towels for the guest room.

Prices are moderate and on the old basis—we bought our holdings before the European war affected shipping and supplies.

Linens—first floor.

English needle books have The Merit of Containing the Best Needles in the most used sizes. Leatherette Cases 10c to 50c.

TOYS

Ives Trains Regularly $1.20— **95c**

The new model trains, Catalog-priced $1.20, are on sale here at 95c each. Other trains, "wind-up" and electrical, are, collectively, $2 to $6 the set.

—Tool chests, containing good, usable hatchets, hammers, saws and such, are $2.50, 3.50 and $5 set. Any household can make use of this "toy" while the boy is at school.

—Some dolls, "Jumbo" size, are 39c each. Were 69c.

—Doll carts are in greatest variety now. Some are built exactly like the real baby's vehicle. 50c, $1, 1.25 to $6 each.

—King Air guns. Several kinds that shoot straight. 1.25 each, down to 25c for the "pop" sort.

—Military games for children interested in the "Great War." 50c to $1 the set.

—Steel wagons, strong and easy running $1 to 1.50; roller-bearing wooden wagons, broad and low, $3, $4 and $6 each.

—Desks and chairs for practical use in children's rooms, 2.50, 3.50, $5, 7.50 and $10 each. Oak, mission and white chairs and rockers, tiny to big, 25c to $4 each.

See the:—

Mechanical toys: Mysto Erector; Sandy Andy; and the animals, books, painting sets, drums and what not.

Toy Store—Basement.

Exquisite Odd China

Oddments, from various potteries in America and across the water, at prices which look very little for such lovely handiwork.

....Chocolate sets
....Cream and sugar sets
....fancy plates
....Celery trays,
....Nut bowls,
....Berry dishes
....fruit dishes
....and other pieces

delicate, and daintily shaped and enriched with usual colors and tints.

Basement store

Had You Thought of **Aluminum Ware** For Somebody's Gift?

Christmas Slippers

of Durable Felt and Kid

Boudoir Slippers, in Delicate Tints, $1 Pair

Boudoir slippers of softest kidskin, and decorated with silk pompoms, are in pink, blue, lavender, red, tan, and black. With heels, 1.25 a pair; without, $1.00 a pair.

Slippers of all-felt, women's sizes, ribbon run at the top and beautified with a pompom, 1.50 a pair for lavender, peach, light blue and gray. Black, with a ribboned top and bow, 1.25 a pair.

Tiny tots pictured felts—Kewpie designs and others, in red and gray, 75c for sizes 5 to 8; 85c for 8½ to 11; $1 for 11½ to 2.

Men's slippers of black and tan vici kid, in Everett, Opera and Juliette shapes and with hand-turned soles, 1.50 a pair. Everetts and Romeos, felt or kid lined, $2 a pair. Comfy felts, all-black and with leather soles and heels, 1.25 a pair.

Boy's, youth's and little gents' tan Everetts, 1.00, 1.25 and 1.35 pair.

Shoe store—first floor.

Prices are Down on all Suits and Fabric Coats for women

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